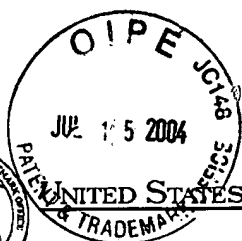


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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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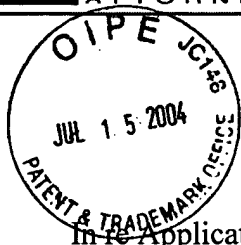


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In response to the "Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application Filed Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) – Filing Date Granted" dated May 19, 2004, the following are enclosed:

- ☒ Part 2 of Form PTO-1533, Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application.
- ☒ Declaration executed by the inventors.



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- ☐ A Power of Attorney executed by \_\_\_\_\_.
- ☐ An Assignment executed by the inventors and Recordation Cover Sheet.
- ☒ Other Papers: Information Disclosure Statement with PTO-1449; return postcard.

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### Fees and Payment

- ☒ Surcharge for late filing (\$130.00).
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The undersigned representative requests any extension of time that may be deemed necessary to further the prosecution of this application.

The undersigned representative authorizes the Commissioner to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 01-2508, referencing Order No. 10437.0073.NPUS02.

Applicants respectfully request that the Office contact the undersigned attorney by telephone to discuss any issues or questions presented by this paper.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading 'Ira D. Finkelstein'.

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